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Dear Mr. Terreni:

Subject: Motion to Continue Hearing Date from Passover, Good Friday

and Easter Sunday Weekend commencing on Thursday,

April 13, 2006.

Ref:

Case No: 2004-219-E

Enclosed please find my **Motion to Continue the Hearing Date** from Thursday, April 13, 2006 to a subsequent date convenient to the Commission following the Passover weekend.

The reason is that Thursday, April 13, 2006 is Passover, followed by Good Friday, and Easter Sunday.

Because of this I would be unable to have some important witnesses present at the Hearing, which would of course prejudice my case.

Further, I fully expect the Hearing to continue for several days. It makes no sense to start Thursday on Passover, and then discontinue for Good Friday and Easter Sunday until the following week. It would also be an economic hardship for me and the witnesses as we have to overnight in hotel accommodations in Colombia during the period of the Hearing.

Additionally, transportation problems are also exacerbated under such circumstances. For instance, if the Hearing is set to start at 10.30 a.m., I would have to get up at 5:00 a.m. to make it there on time and have to make arrangements with a driver to accommodate this.

Therefore I request that the initial Hearing commence at say 1:30 p.m. of the selected date. I and the witnesses shall overnight in Colombia and hence be available for a 10.20 a.m. session the next day and thereafter, or as otherwise convenient to the Commission.

As this will be my first Hearing before the Commission, it would be most helpful to me if you could kindly send information on the conduct of the Hearing, to include:

- 1. Agenda
- 2. Order of Hearing Procedures
- 3. Names and titles of all participating parties in the Hearing

- Procedure for Commission Hearing of Motions pending, if any. (It is 4. expected that I will file several motions in due course.)
- 5. Procedure for receiving Public Notices relating to conduct of the Hearing and deliberations of any Motions.
- 6. Plan showing the layout of the Hearing Room
- 7. Location of a public area with appropriate facilities, where and at what times, I may conduct Press and Television Conferences.
- 8. Any other relevant information that you think may be helpful or appropriate for me to know.

Finally, please note that I have requested Ms. Boyd to designate for me the current list of "Parties at Interest" in this case. I note that copies of case documents have been distributed to parties unknown to me or their relationship to the case. I should be informed of who the "parties" are of record.

Therefore for the time being, please be so kind as to distribute copies of the attached pleadings to all parties of record that should receive them. I do not know who they all are.

Further, please instruct me as to the distribution procedural requirements. It is an economic hardship and physically demanding to comply with 25 copies to all parties, especially when I do not know who all the parties are in this case that have a right to such copies. Living in a rural area makes it difficult to meet time constraints also with limited postal service and my inability to drive. This aspect is extremely difficult and taxing for me to do, as I do not have the professional equipment and facilities or staff of a tax supported State Agency or a billion dollar utility company office. In due course, it is my intention to bring these matters to the attention of the Legislature, the governor's Office and of course the media and other interested parties.

Consumers such as me in a formal dispute with a major interstate utility conglomerate possessing vast resources, without any support whatever from a moribund O.R.S. and the Commission to date, face a chilling effect on participating in formal proceedings for redress of wrongs. The utter failure of the regulatory agencies to date, in this case, is a travesty of justice which I have yet to address.

Meanwhile I do appreciate the cooperation your Office has extended to me these past months. Should you

Yours sincerely

Beatrice Weaver

- 5. Copy of the Petition to Change Providers: You very kindly sent me some data on this complaint. Could you also send me the Commission Order(s) disposing of that case for or against the Petitioners? I am especially interested in the Commission's Findings of Facts and Law in the case. I do not have access to the Internet as you suggested. As it happens I have discussed this aspect with another provider and I would like to know the outcome of the Petition case you sent me if possible.
- 6. All the above are public record. I would greatly appreciate your kind cooperation in providing the above data at your earliest convenience since time is of the essence.

Yours sincerely,

Beatrice Weaver

Cc: Mr. Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni
Chief Clerk/Administrator
S.C. Public Service Commission

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February 7, 2006

Ms. Jocelyn G. Boyd Deputy Clerk Docketing Dept. S.C. Public Service Commission PO Drawer 11649, Colombia S.C. 29211 Ph: 803 896 5100; Fax: 803 896 5199

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Subject: Request for Data

Re: File No: 2004-219-E

Thank you for your efficient cooperation in handling my previous requests. As you suggested I have contacted ORS for the complaint history. Believe it or not I actually submitted a request to that Office back in Feb. 11, 2005 one year ago, to no avail.

Now that I am back from hospital I am commencing to prepare my case against Progress Energy. For this purpose, I need some further assistance from your Office.

- 1. Parties at Interest: I do not know the "Parties at Interest" in this case who are entitled to receive copies of pleadings, etc. The Petitioner has copied so many people that I do not know who has a right to receive documents. Therefore, for my record, please forward me the official list of the Parties at Interest in this case, who the Commission requires me to copy any filings.
- 2. Gary Walsh: Petitioner has copied data to Mr. Walsh, the former Executive Director of the Commission. What is his role if any, in this case? Is he now a "party at interest"?
- 3. Record of Formal Complaints Against Progress Energy: As I understand your message, the ORS keeps records of the INFORMAL complaints, and your Commission Office keeps the records of the FORMAL Complaints. As noted, I have contacted ORS for the informal complaints.
- 4. However, I am not sure if the one case you sent me is the only formal complaint filed against Progress Energy, since 2002, or if there were others. Please kindly elaborate. I am particularly interested in the number of "formal" complaints filed against Progress energy over this period and the disposition of the cases by the Commission for and against the parties.

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

February 6, 2006

| In the Matter of) | DOCKET NO. 2004-219-E |
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| Petition of Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc) | RESPONDENT BEATRICE |
| To Terminate Service)))))))))))) | WEAVER'S MOTION TO |
| | CONTINUE DATE OF |
| | HEARING; EXTENSION |
| | OF TIME FOR FILING OF |
| | PLEADINGS; AFFIDAVIT |
| | OF BEATRICE WEAVER; |
| | CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE |
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RESPONDENT BEATRICE WEAVER'S MOTION TO CONTINUE DATE OF HEARING AND FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING PLEADINGS

Comes now Respondent Pro Se Beatrice Weaver ("Movant") and timely files this fourth Motion to Continue Date of Hearing and for Extension of Time for Filing of Pleadings. This motion is filed for good cause pursuant to rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") R. 103-842 for extension of time for filing pleadings; R.103-862 for continuance of Hearing Date; R. 103-854 for Other Discovery; Rule 6 (b),(d), and (e) and Rule 7 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure (SCRCP).

This motion is timely filed in response to the Commission's Rescheduled Notice of Hearing dated January 10, 2006. Said Notice states a Re-scheduled Hearing date in this matter for April 13, 2006, at 10.30 a.m. The specific grounds for this motion are:

1. Thursday, April 13, 2006 is the date of **Passover**, immediately followed by **Good Friday**, on April 14, 2006, and **Easter Sunday** on April 16, 2006. Movant fully

anticipates that the Hearing may require several days duration, as further discussed herein below.

- 2. Movant intends to present a number of witnesses to support her case. Enquiries reveal that these witnesses are **unable to attend the Hearing** on the date of **Passover**, followed by Easter weekend which is a holiday weekend commencing on or before Passover and lasting on into the following week.
- 3. **Movant also intends to subpoena witnesses** who represent Petitioner, in the event Petitioner does not call them to testify at the Hearing. This list of Petitioner's witnesses will not be known until completion of discovery by Movant. It is not known at this time if said Petitioner's witnesses will be able to appear at the Hearing during Passover and Easter weekend.
- 4. Conduct of the Hearing without the participation of Movant's and the said Petitioner's witnesses would be prejudicial to Movant's case and thwart the cause of justice that Movant is seeking for redress of wrongs perpetrated by Petitioner.
- 5. In good faith, Movant is now commencing in-depth discovery proceedings with Petitioner since her recent return from medical treatments at Duke University Medical Center, which record has been duly filed with the Commission. As stated in previous pleadings filed in this action, based on past experience, Movant fully anticipates that Petitioner, which has never yet acted in good faith in this or other actions in this matter, will not cooperate, continue to lie, evade and misrepresent the true facts, and generally be obstructive and elusive in its response to the discovery proceedings that Movant shall be filing in coming weeks, her health permitting.
- 6. For the record, Movant respectfully reminds the Commission that it has issued past Orders in this matter entirely based on incorrect facts misrepresented by Petitioner, which the Commission staff still has not investigated as to veracity. Both Petitions in this case are vindictive, frivolous and nuisance regulatory actions by Petitioner which filed the Petitions strictly to cover up Petitioner's repeated violations of Commission regulations. The Commission Staff has never investigated these violations, and the Commission has simply issued previous Orders based on the misrepresentations of Petitioner, without verification..

- 7. The record in this case shows that Movant has endured many months of several medical treatments for two carcinomas and other unrelated medical procedures, etc., with stays at several clinics over the past fifteen months. As previously notified to the Commission, further regular follow up checkups and rehabilitation treatments will occur in the next several months, leading into May 2006.
- 8. Because of this medical situation, Movant will not physically be able to attend Hearings that extend beyond normal business hours (5:00 p.m. daily?) into any "marathon" sessions leading late into the night.
- 9. Further, due to the anticipated number of Movant's and Petitioner's witnesses expected to be subpoenaed, heard and cross-examined, together with the voluminous evidence that Movant plans to introduce at the Hearing, and the attendance of possible observers known to Movant, it is expected that the Hearing will continue for several days and certainly more than one day of a normal daily session. This would not conveniently conform to the Passover, Good Friday and Easter Sunday Weekend for the Commission, its Staff, other interested parties and the respective personnel associated with Movant and Petitioner's contingents.
- 10. For these same reasons, at this time Movant shall not avail herself of the Commission's offer to arrange a video conference for the Hearings. This gesture is appreciated, but it is necessary for the full Hearing procedure to run its course in this matter. Inter alia, there are **constitutional issues** to be considered, and Movant wishes to confront Petitioner in open public hearing with respect to Progress Energy's unconscionable, unethical and amoral regulatory practices that have caused me damages and considerable economic losses, and impaired my emotional and physical health to the point of causing me to become a "handicap."
- 11. Movant respectfully submits to the Commission that under the circumstances which have unexpectedly developed these past several months, this motion meets its test for continuance of the April 13, 2006 Hearing and discovery procedures under "the most exigent circumstances" as noted in its earlier Order. (See, last line, page 1.) Conclusion.

This motion is based on the grounds discussed above and in Movant's pleadings filed previously with the Commission and referred to hereinabove, Movant's Affidavit

attached hereto, and the records and files of this matter. Respondent reserves the right to supplement said pleadings prior to the hearing or disposition of this motion.

Again, to reiterate for the record, Movant specifically denies any and all allegations submitted by the Petitioner's Mr. Len Anthony in his letters dated December 6, 2005 and January 9, 2006 which are designed to deliberately mislead and obfuscate the issues, confuse the Commission as to the real facts, and cover up its repeated violations of Commission regulations with impunity..

For just cause and good reason, pursuant to the Commission's rules and regulations, and SCRCP Rules cited hereinabove, Movant hereby moves the Commission for an order continuing the Hearing and to set a date and time certain convenient to the Commission after the beginning of the week of April 20th, 2006, following the completion of Passover, Good Friday and Easter Sunday weekend.

As matters now stand it is not possible for Movant to be present on Passover, Good Friday and Easter Sunday weekend commencing April 13, 2006 with all intended witnesses in attendance. Continuance is in the interests of justice for Movant, and possibly convenience for the Commission and regulatory staff.

Further, the Commission should allow for a Hearing that will continue for several days in any event, and this would be better planned for administrative efficiency for other than Passover/Good Friday/Easter Sunday weekend.

Finally, an administratively disjointed Hearing extending over several days through and past Passover weekend, would be an economic burden and transportation problem for Movant, her witnesses and possibly other parties.

Dated: Little Rock, Dillon County, S.C., February 6, 2006

Respectfully submitted.

Beatrice Weaver
Respondent Pro Se

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

February 6, 2006, 2004

| In the Matter of |) DOCKET NO. 2004-219-E |
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| Petition of Progress Energy Carolinas, To Terminate Service |) AFFIDAVIT OF BEATRICE Inc) WEAVER))) |
| <u>AFFIDAVIT (</u> | OF BEATRICE WEAVER |
| County of Dillon) State of South Carolina) | SS. |

BEATRICE WEAVER, being first duly sworn upon her oath, hereinafter "Affiant", deposes and says as follows:

- 1. Affiant is a Respondent Pro Se in the above titled Petition. I have resided at 1253 Harllees Bridge Road, Dillon, S.C. 29536 since about January 1995. My mailing address is P.O. Box 539, Little Rock SC 29567. I am a retired Senior Citizen nearly 80 years of age, and in poor health. These medical conditions are formally filed with the Commission in previous pleadings.
- 2. I make this affidavit in support of Respondent's Motion to Continue Hearing Date to which this is attached. I affirm that the statements submitted in said Motion are from

personal knowledge and belief of the facts of the case, and not for any improper purpose or to cause unnecessary delay in proceedings, or needless increase in the costs of this case. I am competent to make this deposition. I allege and aver that the facts as stated are true and correct.

3. I noticed that the Re-scheduled Hearing date has been set for Wednesday, April 13, 2006 which is **Passover** followed by Good Friday and Easter Sunday Weekend. I made enquiries of my proposed witnesses for the scheduled hearing and some very important witnesses will be unable to attend because of Passover. This will prejudice my case. Further I expect the Hearing to extend for several days, and Easter Weekend would represent an economic hardship and transportation problem for me.

Further, Affiant sayeth naught.

Beatrice Weaver, Affiant

Subscribed and sworn before me this 1th day of February, 2006.

Votary Public, State of South Carolina

My Commission expires: 3-8-06

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

February 6, 2006

| In the Matter of) | CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE |
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| Petition of Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc) | |
| To Terminate Service | |
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that Respondent Pro Se Beatrice Weaver's Motion to Continue Date of Hearing and For Extension of Time for Filing Pleadings and Exhibits thereto, will be or has been served upon the above-mentioned Petitioner, the Office of Regulatory Staff and the S.C. Public Service Commission, at their respective addresses by means of U.S. Postal Service mail, and telefax communication.

DATED: Little Rock, Dillon County, South Carolina, February 6, 2006

Beatrice Weaver, Respondent Pro Se

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